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TELEGRAMS.

THE REBELLION.

POWERS URGE PEACE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 21, 12.5 a.m.

On Wednesday the Consuls of Britain, America, Germany, France, Russia and Japan interviewed Wu Ting-fang and Tang Shao-yi.

They stated that their Governments considered that a continuation of the struggle would be harmful to foreigners.

ABSOLUTE NEUTRALITY.

While maintaining absolute neutrality, these Powers considered it their duty unofficially to call attention to the need for arriving at an understanding which should end the conflict. The Consuls were received in a friendly way.

ARMISTICE EXTENDED.

The Peace Conference, in the afternoon, agreed to extend the armistice until Dec. 31.

Wu Ting-fang advocated the necessity for establishing a republic for which he believed China was fully prepared. He said the people would not accept any other form of government than a republic founded on the will of the people.

MANCHUS MUST GO.

The Manchus must go out. The Republicans did not intend to drive out the Manchus or to ill-treat them. On the contrary they wished to place them on a perfect equality with the Chinese and to see them enjoying together liberty, equality and fraternity.

Tang Shao-yi expressed his readiness to accept these views which he must refer to Peking.

TROOPS FOR THE FRONT.

Six hundred Hangchow troops have proceeded to Hankow and two shiploads of Cantonese have left for Nanking.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REBELLION.

NEWS FROM SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Dec. 20.

Dr. Wu Ting-fang and H.E. Tang Shao-yi formally opened the negotiations to-day. H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has acceded to the request of Dr. Wu Ting-fang to suspend hostilities during the process of the negotiations. Yesterday Dr. Wu made four demands at the conference. The first was the abdication of the young Emperor. The second was the establishment of a republic. The third was the granting of a handsome allowance to the retired Emperor. The fourth was to make no distinction between the Manchus and the Chinese and the granting of gratuities to the old and poor bannermen. H.E. Tang has telegraphed the text of the demands to H.E. Yuan Shih-kai for consideration and reply. The delegates at the conference can only express their opinions through Dr. Wu or H.E. Tang.—"Shoung Po."

The military governments in the independent provinces have telegraphed to Dr. Wu Ting-fang strongly supporting the demand for the formation of a republic.

The Cantonese residents here gave a banquet at Ning Nam Hotel last evening in honour of Yan Fung-kup, the commander of the Canton troops for the invasion of Peking, and General Chu Shiu-ching, commander-in-chief of the revolutionary forces for the invasion of Peking.—"Shat Po."

PERSIA.

ANTI-BRITISH BOYCOTT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Dec. 21, 7.45 a.m.

The Teheran correspondent of the "Times" states that an anti-British boycott at Shirz is over and that the *sowars* have obtained supplies in the bazaar, which previously were refused.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA AND AMERICA.

A STRONG STATEMENT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 9.25 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the Senate has unanimously adopted Mr. Lodge's resolution of the 19th inst. Mr. Root caused a sensation by declaring that there were millions of the Tsar's Mongolian subjects whom the whom the United States would not admit, treaty or no treaty. Other speakers, while desirous of upholding the rights of Americans, were evidently anxious not to endanger America's trade.—(Reuter.)

N. Z. ELECTIONS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 11.50 a.m.

In the New Zealand elections the final returns are as follow: Opposition 39, Government 33, Independent 4, Labour 4.—(Reuter.)

REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS' QUARREL.

Summary Vengeance.

On Wednesday afternoon, says the "Shanghai Mercury" of December 15, the General's yamen in the native city was the scene of a horrible affair in which a leader of the movement was shot down in cold blood by the General's staff. The direct causes of the tragedy are not exactly known, but the facts are that on Wednesday afternoon a prominent revolutionary arrived here from Nanking by railway. He had taken a big share in the attack and capture of the city and, immediately on his arrival at the Shanghai-Nanking railway station here, he made for the native city, proceeding to the Military General's yamen. What happened inside between the two men it is impossible to say, but there were undoubtedly sharp words passed and a bitter quarrel ensued. The local revolutionaries insist that the Nanking leader had been guilty of gross treachery to his troops but, on the other hand, it is alleged in some quarters that the trouble between the men was of a personal nature. In any case, the climax was quickly reached, the General ordered the man to be seized and calling out four of his men ordered them to shoot him down. The tragedy was enacted in a short space of time, the shooting party not even taking the unfortunate man out of the yamen. As showing the haste with which the execution was got through, a startling accident occurred during the shooting as the result of which one of the General's secretaries was injured. It is believed that the shot which caused his injuries was fired by a member of the shooting party and that the secretary must have been in the line of fire at the time. He was injured on the right shoulder and was removed to an hospital in the native city. His injuries are not supposed to be serious.

TELEGRAMS.

WRECKED LINER.

BULLION SALVED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 9.25 a.m.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Tangiers says that twenty-three cases of bullion were salved to-day, also a quantity of baggage.—(Reuter).

DUNDEE STRIKE.

PROTEST AGAINST TROOPS.

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 11.50 a.m.

The Dundee strike committee have telegraphed to the Government protesting against the presence of troops and guaranteeing complete order if they are withdrawn.—(Reuter.)

MILL HANDS IDLE.

Bombay, Dec. 21, 7.45 a.m.

At Dundee the situation is critical.

Many of the factories, lacking fuel, have closed, and it is estimated that 20,000 mill hands are idle in consequence of the carters' and dockers' strike.

Two lorries were held up by the strikers; the horses in one were unharnessed and the lorry was hurled into the dock.

A procession of 2,000 paraded the streets.

The police have been further reinforced.—Reuter.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

JUARES' OUTBURST.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 11.50 a.m.

In the French Chamber a rambling debate on the Franco-German agreement was enlivened by a sweeping anti-Government attack by Socialist Juares, who declared, amid an uproar, that Germany's susceptibilities had been clumsily wounded. German policy was occasionally brusque, he said, but essentially moderate, and France was now doing what she should have done eight years ago. He denounced France's policy in permitting Italy to swallow Tripolis, and said that Persia would share the fate of Poland.—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

TEST-CRICKET.

DEFEAT IN SIGHT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 11.50 a.m.

In lovely weather, and before a fair crowd, the match was continued. The wicket is wearing well, and England's score is 263 for eight wickets. Gunn made 62.—(Reuter.)

ENGLAND BEATEN.

Durban, Dec. 21, 8.20 a.m.

In hot weather, before only a few spectators, and on a wicket showing signs of wear, England were dismissed for a total of 291. Hordern captured seven wickets for 91 runs.—Reuter.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

CHINESE RESOLUTIONS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Bombay, Dec. 20, 1.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at the Hague reports that the Opium Conference has adopted five Chinese resolutions demanding protection of China against contraband trade in opium and other drugs, the prohibition of unlicensed sale, and the suppression of dens in the foreign concessions.—(Reuter.)

CANTON NEWS.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT)

Canton, Dec. 20.

Yesterday the revolutionary gunboat Kwangfuk sought to capture the crew of two gunboats, which were commanded by a man who was known to be secretly manufacturing bombs. The guard boats were anchored off the Bund. Troops on shore assisted the gunboat. As the Kwangfuk approached the guard boats the crew of the latter opened fire, both on the gunboats and the troops ashore. After a brisk exchange of shots about thirty of the crew of the guard boats jumped overboard and were drowned. Many others were killed or wounded on the vessels. Several revolutionaries and civilians who happened to be on the Bund were wounded and were removed to the hospital for treatment.

Dr. Wu Ting-fang has warned the Governor-General of Canton not to stop foreign vessels carrying permissible cargo so as to avoid diplomatic complications.

TELEGRAMS.

OBITUARY.

SIR JAMES INGLIS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Dec. 20, 8.30 p.m.

The death is announced of Lieut.-Colonel Sir William Inglis, Chairman of the Stock Exchange General Purposes Committee.

MR. WILLIAM MCGREGOR.

The death is announced of Sir William McGregor, founder of the Football League.—Reuter.

LABOUR TROUBLES.

UNREST AT HOME.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Dec. 20, 10.35 p.m.

Labour unrest threatens to mar Christmas on the Scottish and Welsh coalfields, where a minimum wage is demanded.

There is also unrest in North-east Lancashire owing to members of the union objecting to having to work with non-union workers.—Reuter.

TURKEY AND EGYPT.

EXAGGERATED REPORT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Bombay, Dec. 20, 3.25 p.m.

Reuter states that there are no grounds for the exaggerated report regarding the despatch of Egyptian troops to Sollum, which was published on the 19th inst., and which is merely due to the recent decision of the Egyptian Government to establish a frontier post at Sollum, within the Egyptian boundary.—(Reuter.)

AN UPROARIOUS MEETING.

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 9.25 a.m.

At an uproarious meeting of doctors in Queen's Hall, including many prominent personages, a resolution was passed agreeing not to accept posts under the Insurance Bill until their demands were satisfied. Sir Victor Alexander Haden Horsley endeavoured to explain the moderate views of the Medical Association, but the rest shouted down.—(Reuter.)

TELEGRAMS.

WOOL SCHEDULES.

TAFT'S PROPOSAL.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Durban, Dec. 20, 8.30 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that Mr. Taft recommends Congress to make material reductions on wool schedules, but refrains from proposing specific rates.—Reuter.

MOROCCAN AGREEMENT.

FRENCH CHAMBER APPROVES.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Dec. 21, 7.45 a.m.

The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a vote of approval in the Moroccan Agreement by 393 votes to 36.—Reuter.

WARNING TO CANADA.

EASTERN COMPETITION.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Durban, Dec. 20, 9.25 a.m.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that Minister Foster, in a speech before the Commercial Travellers' Association, urged Canadian commercial men to be on the alert in view of the opening of the Panama Canal, which would bring severe competition from China and Japan.—(Reuter.)

CHINESE IN TIBET.

TREASURIES LOOTED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Via Bombay, Dec. 20, 1.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Calcutta states that the newspaper "Statesman" publishes a Gyantse correspondent's account of events in Tibet. The report states that Chinese soldiers of various towns, including Lhassa, rebelled and looted the treasuries. They confined the Amban till he promised a free pardon. They then impressed thousands of ponies and mules, and they are now marching towards China.—(Reuter.)

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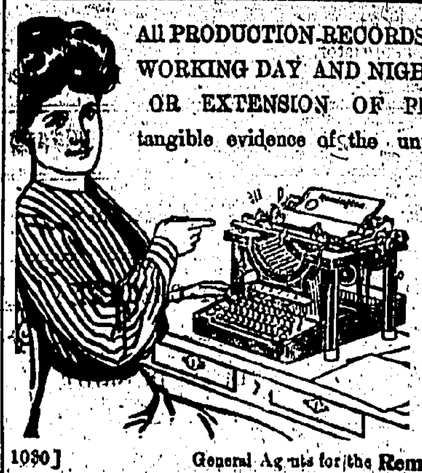

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

The Peace Negotiations.

We have on many occasions of late urged in these columns that China is not sufficiently advanced in the scale of social, mental or political development to set up and work the machinery of a modern republic. Granted that the Chinese are the most democratic of races, they still are not of the timber of which republican nations are made, and this would soon become apparent, we imagine, if the Cantonese idea is forced upon the nation. In saying this we do not forget that many of the Reformers are very learned men, well-versed in the literatures of the West. As the "National Review" reminds us, many of them "are excellently well read in the great political writings of the centuries. They have the theory of government at their fingers' ends, whether monarchical, democratic, republican or what else. They probably know more about republicanism than Plato ever dreamed, and more about monarchies than Burke himself could have imagined." But much reading is apt to addle brains, as an East Anglian proverb has it. We live in a practical world to-day, and it is a practical solution of the present problem, and not an airy, idealistic dream, that the Chinese people ask of the negotiators now assembled at Shanghai.

Daily Press.

Naval Representation.

We agree with the Hon. Mr. Hewett when he said that the proposed change (in the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance) inflicts no hardship on the Navy. Interest in the sanitary problems of the Colony alone would probably not bring a single officer to the polling booth, and it is not surprising that Dr. Fitzwilliams found no support for his protest among his colleagues on the Board. In the Bill now before the Council the clause has been so drafted as to exclude all Civil Servants as well as Naval and Military Officers. As the Attorney-General puts the matter in the "Objects and Reasons" attached to the Bill, "the clause is introduced in order more effectually to carry out the intention of the Legislature, which was to confine the electors of the two elected members of the Sanitary Board to those who are special or common jurors, and to those who are would be jurors but for the nature of their avocations or for age or infirmity. In the clause as now drafted this intention is carried out, save that persons holding offices of emolument under the Crown, and Military officers, are omitted, as they and their views are amply represented by the official and appointed members of the Board." When the matter is fully considered in the light of this explanation, the proposed alteration in the law will, we think, commend itself to all.

South China Morning Post.

Sanitary Board Electors.

We are quite in accord with Doctor Fitzwilliams in this matter. The resident naval population of Hongkong is large enough not to be so lightly ignored. The President of the Board mentioned that only one ship, the Tamar, is permanently stationed here. That may be, but, as Doctor Fitzwilliams at once retorted, Hongkong has the biggest naval yard in the East. Still, no definite recommendation was forthcoming, and the Council will meet to-day officially convinced that their Bill has the full approval of the Sanitary Board. That the Ordinance has badly needed remodelling is indisputable. It is to be noted that Mr. Wolfe told his fellow-members that "previously the returning officers were unable to say what persons who voted were entitled to vote." And that in an up-to-date progressive community like Hongkong! The New Revised Edition of the Statute Laws is not exactly premature.

HONGKONG'S WATER SUPPLY.

Tytam Tuk Water Works Scheme.

The following report of the Public Works Committee, of which the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham is Chairman, was brought before the Legislative Council at their meeting this afternoon:—

The report (by Mr. Jaffe) showed that in years of deficient rainfall, such as 1901, the existing works, comprising Pokfulam, Wongneichong, Tytam, Tytam Byewash and Tytam Intermediate Reservoirs, would fall short of present requirements to the extent of nearly 500 million gallons. The joint capacity of the reservoirs mentioned was 774.1-3 million gallons, but, under such conditions as prevailed in 1901, the reservoirs might only contain 560.1-2 million gallons at the commencement of the dry season, whilst the statistics of recent years showed that during a dry season extending over a period of 280 days, the consumption would amount to 1,270 million gallons. The yield of the streams during the same period would amount to about 227 million gallons so that a storage of 1,043 million gallons was required to ensure constant supply or 482.1-2 millions in excess of that afforded by the present works, or, in round figures, 500 millions.

Probable requirements in the near future, including a supply to Shaukiwan District, which could be most economically supplied from the source under consideration, were estimated at about 560 million gallons. The capacity of a new reservoir to meet existing and provide for estimated requirements must therefore not be less than 1,060 million gallons.

When the second section of the Tytam Tuk Scheme was formerly under consideration (1903-04), it was considered important, in selecting the site for the dam, to secure the largest possible drainage area, and it was therefore proposed that the dam should be constructed on what had been designated on the plans as "Site No. 1", which was situated in Tytam Bay. A report and estimate, prepared by Mr. Jaffe and dated February 6, 1905, were forwarded to Government for the construction of a dam on this site, with the necessary contingent works. The estimate was as follows:—

Dam (to impound 1,200 million gallons), $2,445,000; Pumping station, pumping plant and mains, $337,000; Tunnel for discharge of storm-water during construction of dam and subsequently for draw-off pipes, $127,000; Road diversion, $60,000; Temporary works, $343,300. Total, $3,312,300.

The gauges which were fixed in 1903 in the Tytam Valley had shown, however, that in years of average rainfall, the quantity of water available would be sufficient to fill a reservoir capable of containing 1,500 million gallons, though the drainage area were curtailed by constructing the dam at a higher point than that already referred to, and accordingly a site which was designated "No. 3", immediately below Tytam Tuk Village, had been thoroughly investigated. To ensure the filling of such a reservoir during years of low rainfall, a short catchwater to intercept the drainage of an important valley to the north-eastward would be constructed, thus rendering available nearly the whole of the drainage area secured by the adoption of Site No. 1. If this were found inadequate, further catchwaters, which would amply ensure the filling of the proposed reservoir, could be constructed.

In other respects, the scheme was on the same lines as that formerly proposed, and all the works, which had been carried out under the heading "Tytam Tuk Scheme, First Section" (Sessional Paper No. 3 of 1904), would be fully availed of, the existing suction main being taken up and relaid as a rising main. Site No. 1 would still be available if it became necessary to provide further storage accommodation in the future, but it would be necessary to construct an extensive system of catchwaters in order to fill such a reservoir.

In justification of the proposal to construct a dam capable of impounding 1,500 million gallons, bacteriological researches had resulted in revealing the fact that the storage of water produced a great improvement in its condition, and it was therefore important that there should be ample storage.

The estimate of the amended scheme was as follows:—Dam (to impound 1,500 million gallons), $1,642,000; Pumping station, pumping plant and mains, $320,000; Road diversion, etc., $35,000; Catchwater, $20,000. Total, $2,017,000.

The committee unanimously agreed to recommend that the amended scheme be undertaken and that it be carried out as expeditiously as possible.

THE TOLL OF WAR

Regret will be felt at the news of the death at Tripoli of Marquis Ricardo Grazioli, Sub-Lieut. of the Italian cruiser Calabria, well known in Far Eastern waters, which left here for the Red Sea on the outbreak of the Turco-Italian war. When the Calabria reached the Red Sea, Lieut. Grazioli, according to a letter which was received in Shanghai recently, was transferred to another ship, which went to Cyrenaica. Here Lieut. Grazioli was landed with a number of his men. On the 22nd ult., while the Italian forces were in the trenches the deceased asked permission from his commanding officer to lead a bayonet charge, but this was refused. On the 23rd he again asked permission, as the enemy were approaching. Permission was at last granted, and the young officer, at the head of his company, waving his sword and crying "Avanti Savoia," led a bayonet charge, but he had only advanced a few steps when he fell, shot in the breast, and soon expired. The deceased was buried with full military honours, and as soon as the news of his death reached Italy letters of condolence were sent by the Minister of War and the Minister of the Navy to the Duchessa Grazioli, Donna Maria Lavaggi, mother of the deceased. Her Majesty Queen Elena also sent the following telegram to the bereaved mother, who is a personal friend of the Queen:—"Dear Maria—You have lost one son, but you have given to the country one hero. God bless you.—Elena"

BETTER NOT INQUIRE.

We have been brooding heartily on the lecture which Doctor Fridtjof Nansen recently delivered to the Royal Geographical Society on the subject of the Norsemen in America. But brood as long as we may, we fear that we shall never be able to regain our former opinion of Columbus. We are keen on Kit. We like to think that it was he who was the first to discover U. S. A. Up till now we did think so. But all that is finished—Doctor Nansen's paper is flawless. The man who performed the putting on the map not for America was, we are certain, a person known to his intimates as Eric the Red. Yes. We will be just. We do not care two straws about the auburn Eric; and we had the greatest reverence for good old Christopher; and we still admit that it was the Norwegian globe-trotter with the ruddy locks who first set foot on the land of the Champing Clark. Does the thing end here? No. Absolutely between ourselves, we now see that dear old Kit not only did not discover America, but did not ever sail there. At any rate if Kit was a swanker let us realise that he was swanker on the grand scale. And you see what is coming? It is a plain case of horror heaped on horror. That is obvious. Shall we crystalise the sinister insinuation? No? Yes? Very well then, as you press us. Where was Columbus when he was supposed to be in America? [Stage direction: All shudder and quick curtain.]—"The Globe."

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The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

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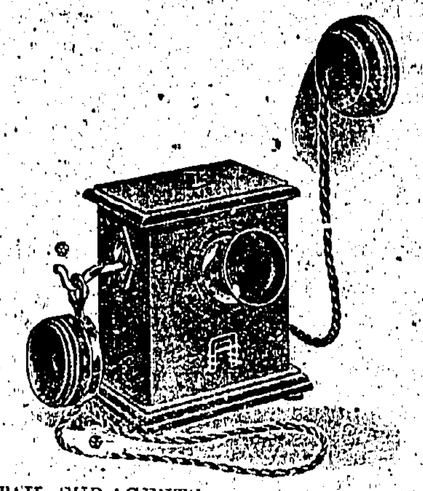

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SYSTEMATIZED CHARITY.

Shanghai has begun to take measures to regularize the granting of relief to those in need of help. A public meeting was held recently, at which it was pointed out that at present there are over a score of societies which give relief, but that there was no co-operation and that as a result overlapping frequently occurred. Under this system, or rather lack of it, one individual might be receiving relief from two or three different societies while another, more deserving, might not be able to obtain assistance at all. At the public meeting a committee was appointed to devise a scheme for the establishment of a central organization to which all applicants for relief could be referred. It was pointed out that the existence of a central bureau of this kind would be a great relief to firms and individuals who at present were often cajoled into giving monetary assistance to European mendicants without enquiry, owing to the absence of any one particular place to which beggars of this type might be sent to have their claims for help investigated. This difficulty often presents itself to Hongkong residents when persons of the beach-comber class implore or demand money to procure food or lodging. Too often the money that is given is spent in liquor, but many find it difficult to refuse aid when they have no method of enquiring into the bona-fides of the applicant. With the establishment of a central bureau any difficulty of this kind would disappear, as mendicants could be directed thither with a full knowledge that, if they were found deserving, they would be given assistance.

Business-like methods should be applied to charity if the best results are to be obtained. The absence of a central charitable "clearing house" means that money and effort are often misapplied and that the unscrupulous frequently victimize several societies, while persons in genuine want are as a consequence disappointed owing to a shortness of the funds available for relief. If charitable relief were given on a system in Far Eastern ports the money subscribed for the purpose would go further and would be employed to better advantage. There is little doubt that most people would be glad to pay a fixed sum each year to a central bureau to obtain the privilege of directing thither applicants for relief. Shanghai seems to be taking a step in the right direction and her example may prove to be worth following.

DAY BY DAY.

If people would dare to speak to one another unreservedly, there would be a good deal less sorrow in the world a hundred years hence.

The Civil Service Club Christmas Tree for members' wives and children will be dismantled at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.

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On page 3 will be found an important report by the Public Works Committee on the Tytam Tuk Water Works scheme.

Claim by Norddeutscher Lloyd.

The case was continued before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court to-day in which Messrs. Molchers & Co., Agents for the Norddeutscher Lloyd, sued the China Borneo Co., Ltd., to recover the sum of $3,693.73 in respect of freight. The action arose out of an irregularity in the matter of a receipt. Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., instructed by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the plaintiffs and Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Brutton and Hett, was for the defendant. Evidence was called and the case adjourned till Jan. 11 next at 10 a.m.

H.M.S. Kent arrived in Singapore from Hongkong on Dec. 14.

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We have received from the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. six pocket calendars.

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The British sloop Merlin and the German gunboat Jaguar arrived in Hongkong to-day; the former from Labuan and the latter from Pakhoi.

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At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, after some discussion, sub-section 2 of the University Ordinance, 1911, was amended by the substitution of the words "Court and by the Court of the Hongkong College of Medicine" for the word "Governor-in-Council." The discussion was led by Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., seconded by Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

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The inhabitants of San Francisco, applying their ready wits to the extraction of blessings out of misery, have discovered, says "Les Nouvelles," that the iron-work of the houses burnt in the fire that raged through the town after the earthquake of 1906, if mixed with steel, possesses wholly remarkable virtues. So loudly did they trumpet the qualities of their scrap iron that Italy bought quantities of it, and will use in making the plates of their next Dreadnought.

DR. SUN YAT-SEN.

Arrival in Hongkong.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen, General Homer Lea and Mrs. Lea reached Hongkong to-day, on board the P. & O. steamer Devanha, en route for Shanghai.

It is a far cry from 1877 when Dr. Cantlie, of Harley-street, founded a medical college in Hongkong and had young Sun Yat-sen as his first pupil. Events have moved rapidly, too, since 1896 when the youn reformer was imprisoned at the Chinese Legation in London and was released through Dr. Cantlie's efforts.

An Extravagant Term.

To-day Mrs. Cantlie hails him as "the Garibaldi of China." That is an extravagant term begotten largely of long standing friendship; but at least he is in a fair way to becoming the first President of the new Republic. Not once but many times he has offered the opinion that reform of the Court is impossible. The Court, he points out, admits of no improvement. The Emperor is a child; his uncle the Regent, is a weakling; and everything is at the mercy of intrigues between two Dowager Empresses. So it comes that to-day Sun Yat-sen is on his way to Shanghai to meet Wu Ting-fang, Wen-Tsung-yao and others, and, in all probability, to be offered the Presidency of the New Republic. Whether this is a provisional measure, or not, cannot yet be stated definitely.

This, however, we are in a position to state with certainty; a furnished house in the Hongkew district of Shanghai has been taken for him by the revolutionaries and is ready for his coming. It is more than merely probable, however, that Sun Yat-sen will proceed to Nanking where the provisional Government is likely to be established.

The arrival of a Chinese cruiser last night from Canton, with the Governor-General of Kwangtung and a large body of officials, set at rest all doubt as to the arrival of the man who is destined to take up the reins of government in the new Chinese Republic, says a special representative of the "Telegraph." Newspaper men were early astir but were disappointed as Dr. Sun, very shortly after arrival, went on board the Chinese cruiser and remained there throughout the day in consultation with the officials from Canton. It was obvious the Doctor had no desire to be interviewed, and there is nothing surprising in this in view of the fact that while he has been at sea rapid changes have come over the situation.

General and Author.

With Sun Yat-sen is General Homer Lea, who is to direct the military side of the work of the revolutionaries. General Homer Lea was formerly in the American Army and has written on the decay of China from a military point of view.

One extract from General Lea's written work on China must be quoted. He says:—"To such a low plane of self-defence did the Chinese fall in the fourth and fifth cycles of decadence that we find the vast empire conquered by these desert tribes. And it is in relation to these two periods of national disintegration, during which China became a subject nation, that the present cycle must be considered, since conditions are basically the same. In these periods of decadence, during which occurred the destruction of the Sung Dynasty and the establishment of the Mongol Dynasty of Yuen, and later the dissolution of the Ming Dynasty and the enforcement of Manchu sovereignty, China had but to protect herself from the squat horseman that screamed along her northern frontiers. To-day, in a period of national depression and decay that is in no degree removed from the defencelessness of the fourth and fifth cycles of disintegration, this race has now for the first time to face enemies, not alone on her northern borders, but also upon the east and south and west, nations whose morality of conquest is no different, no better than was that of the Mongol and Manchu tribes who made her ten thousand fields a barren tenure."

General Lea Interviewed.

Our representative was fortunate enough to "discover" General Homer Lea in Pedder Street and hustled him to the Hongkong Hotel corridor where a few minutes' hasty interview elicited an interesting statement.

In answer to question, General Lea said the revolutionary party had asked him to come over to China in order to become Chief of the General Staff. This was announced in London before he left, as was also the statement that the future President of the Chinese Republic would probably be Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

"What do you think of affairs as far as they have gone?" asked the interviewer. General Lea shook his head and said, "I don't know with any degree of certainty one way or the other how matters stand. This I do know, and I believe I can say it safely, that the feelings of the most prominent men in France and England and America are very favourable to us. We have many things to consider as soon as we set foot in China, but till then we are not in a safe position to make any public pronouncement as to our future course of action. I think, however, that you will agree the revolution has been remarkably well conducted. With such a vast country and the whole world to be considered I think it is marvellous. Our desire now is to stop all war as soon as possible but insofar as I am concerned I can see no compromise, if the principles of liberty are to be ignored. If these principles are good for America they are good for China, and in liberty like truth there is only one criterion."

Peace Negotiations.

Asked about the peace negotiations General Lea said, "I don't know anything about the negotiations further than that matters have been suspended in Shanghai for two days pending our arrival. Telegrams were exchanged at Singapore. When we get to Shanghai conditions may be entirely different and we may have to proceed on lines altogether different from those already mapped out. It is hard to tell."

"My aim," said General Lea," is to bring to China the same spirit that Lafayette brought to us in America and I feel that every American in China should have the same spirit. We know what liberty is and what enjoyment it brings. We know what these poor people in China have suffered and what they will suffer as long as this dynasty is in power. I want America to take the lead in recognising China, in assisting this movement, and to take the lead in bringing to this country the liberty that they in America enjoy. I want this in order that the Republic of China and the Republic of America, with the Pacific Ocean between them, will be able to conserve the rights and liberty of at least two-thirds of the human race. We have a hard task before us to keep out foreign intervention and to reconcile all these millions of people. It is a hard task but I am confident of success. And how in the world any human being can support a dynasty that has been guilty of such crimes as are at the door of the present dynasty in China I for one cannot understand."

The Danger to Britain.

General Homer Lea does not disguise his belief that a weak China is a danger to Britain and America. In the course of an interview with another representative of the press, he pointed out that the rise of Japan to power destroyed the political equilibrium in the East. That equilibrium could be restored either by breaking down Japan or strengthening and consolidating China so that the latter should become a great military power. This would stop the expansion of Russia, whereas the utilisation of the Chinese race by Russia would destroy British power on the Pacific; it might mean, too, the conquest of India. The strengthening of China meant the open door and greater expansion of trade for both Britain and America, etc.

A CHARGE OF FORGERY.

Extraordinary Allegations.

"The charge is of a grave character. As daring and as clever a swindle, I venture to think as has ever come before this court." Thus was the closing sentence of Mr. Hodgson's opening statement on behalf of the Crown in the case in which A. R. Samy, an Indian, stands charged with the forgery of twelve cheques amounting in all to $23,000. Further counts charge him with obtaining the money by means of forged instruments, with intent to defraud the International Banking Corporation, and that he did on various dates between July 31 and November 11 falsify the books of the International Banking Corporation with regard to the money received and other sums.

Mr. P. W. Goldring defended accused, who pleaded not guilty to all counts of the charge.

Mr. Hodgson said at the outset that he at once repudiated any suggestion that had been made, or would be made, that the defendant was a dupe of somebody else in the case. It may be said that there were others who were eventually to profit by the accused's crime, but when he (counsel) had unfolded the extraordinary scheme and the clear acts perpetrated by the defendant he was sure his Worship would agree that he alone was responsible for the defalcations and for the forged cheques. It would be necessary for him during the case to refer to several accounts. They were those of Lai Po-chun, Ho Ching-hing, the Communications Bank, Man Chang-yuen and Lau Cheung-wan. The first instances that Mr. Hodgson dealt with were forged cheques amounting in all to $5,000 which were passed through the account of Lai Po-chun and debited against him in the bank ledger, and though this was the case not one of the items appeared in the pass book, which defendant also made up. All pass books had to be initialled by a European officer before being sent out to the customers. The initials were forged. The position would then be that the pass book would be correct according to Lai Po-chun's paying in book and cheque book, but incorrect according to the ledger. The deception would keep Lai Po-chun at arm's length and leave the defendant free to work the accounts in the bank ledger. He then set to work to cover his tracks by making a false entry, crediting Lai Po-chun with $5,000 on Nov. 11 by means of two sums, one of $3,000 and the other of $2,000, totalling the amount that he had drawn out by means of the forged cheque. Having credited Lai Po-chun with the sum of $5,000 he had to debit somebody else with a similar sum, if the ledger account were to be correct, because it had to be borne in mind that the actual money for the forged cheque was drawn out of Lau Po-chun's account and no corresponding money passed into the account when he credited him with $5,000. It was merely a book entry. Upon the arrest of the defendant Inspector Grant, armed with a search warrant, obtained various incriminating papers in the defendant's house. One of them came in here, and that was a cheque drawn by Ho Ching-hing for $5,000. This was a perfectly genuine cheque which had already passed through in the ordinary way on Aug. 9. Defendant had access to all old vouchers, and the only inference was that he must have stolen the cheque to enable him to use it. The $5,000 having once been debited to Ho Ching-hing on Aug. 9, the defendant, on Sept. 14, falsified the account by debiting the sum of $5,000 on the old cheque, and ticked it off in blue pencil for the purpose of deceiving the European officer when he looked through the account. The weekly balance of the ledger took place on Sept. 15, and the only thing which the defendant had to do was to keep Ho Ching-hing at arm's length so that he should not know that the sum of $5,000 had again been debited to to his account.

Turning back to Lai Po-chun's account on Sept. 14, defendant forged another cheque, paid it in to the account and debited it in the bank's books in the ordinary way. No manipulation was necessary to cover that except to make a false entry, because it would appear in the ledger that the money have gone through in the ordinary way. On Sept. 21 he did the same in respect to the sum of $350, thus making in all $1,000. The position then was that Lau Po-chun's account was $1,000 less than it should be and Ho Ching-hing's $5,000.

As long as these two kept away from the bank the matter would not have been discovered but unfortunately for the defendant, Ho Ching-hing did come on Sept. 18 and presented a cheque for payment on his own account. Now, with this account $5,000 less than it should have been, that cheque would have been dishonoured. This did not disturb the defendant at all. He promptly made a book entry crediting Ho Ching-hing with $5,000. This put that account square, but left the ledger a like sum out if a balance had been taken.

Up to this time only one ledger had been falsified, but to get out of the difficulty of the $5,000 he turned to another ledger, and debited the account of the Communications Bank with $5,000. That would put the ledgers right, taken altogether, but leave the Communications Bank with $5,000 less than they should have had. To do this he used a cancelled cheque of the Communications Bank, No. 109,856 and debited it, ticking the entry as if passed by a European official. Realizing that balances were to be taken shortly each ledger being balanced separately, he about Sept. 23 again made false entries, crediting the account of the Communications Bank with $5,000, and again debiting Ho Ching-hing with a similar sum.

On Sept. 23, Ho. Ching-hing presented a cheque for $24,000 for payment, and as his account was $5,000 less than it should have been he had only $19,250 to meet it. The defendant to get over this difficulty made a further false entry by repaying the sum of $5,000 to Ho Ching-hing's account.

No balance was to be taken for seven days in this case, so the defendant had time to look round. The position of the bank now, was that they $5,000 too much and to get over this defendant turned to the account of Man Cheung-yuen and altered an entry on the debit side from $20,000 to $25,000. On Oct. 7, Man Cheung-yuen presented a cheque for payment which was awkward for the defendant who immediately credited him with $5,000 putting the account right and leaving the ledger wrong.

On Nov. 1. defendant forged a cheque for $5,000 and yet another for a similar amount on the same day. On November 10 he forged another for $6,350, and another the same day for $650.

False entries were made by the defendant on the debit side of Lau Chun-wan's account in respect of all these forged cheques and it was only detected by Lau Chun-wan presenting a cheque for payment, which did not come through defendant's hands. The bank dishonoured the cheque; Lau Chun-wan approached the bank, took his solicitor with him, and questioned the accuracy of the accounts, denied having drawn the cheques and said that the signatures were forgeries. The bank looked into the matter and found out what had happened.

In conclusion Mr. Hodgson said he would produce in evidence certain other documents found at the defendant's house by Inspector Grant including some unused cheques, and a rubber stamp, a facsimile of that used by the Communications Bank. He would show that, though the defendant was only getting $20 per month as an apprentice, he had placed in various banks of the Colony no less a sum than $20,000 between July 31st and Nov. 11. On Nov. 16 he deposited $10,000 with the Russo-Asiatic Bank in the name of A. R. Stevens, the initials being the same as those of his name "A. R. Samy." He had also been enquiring for passages for Singapore.

Evidence was being called when we went to press.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Peace and Goodwill.

Wiser counsels prevailed and the threatened Christmas strike of postal employees at Home has been averted, but unfortunately it does not look as if peace and goodwill are to bless industrial Great Britain after all. In Scotland and Wales the strike microbe has been at work and a cold and hungry Christmas seems all too certain for the strikers and their families. It is a thousand pities that the wit of man can devise no scheme of the nature of a compensating balance to determine once for all the relative rights of Capital and Labour.

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Notice to Quit.

There are many ways of informing a man that his services are no longer required; some of them kindly and considerate, others—well less so. Among the latter may be included the expedient of the Irish foreman of a day labour gang who says "Git," and the thing is done. To dismiss the Prince Regent of a great Empire is quite another matter. Therefore the Empress Dowager gave Prince Chun his *conge* in a lengthy Message, in which, however, she included some home truths. The Message informed the Prince that by his own showing: "Through his mismanagement of affairs the people of the whole nation has been thrown into serious distress. It is too late for him to feel sorrow for what he has done by pangs of heart or aches of head." He was ordered therefore to retire into private life and "never again take part in the handling of political affairs." Her Imperial Majesty, after all, achieved the same result as the Irish foreman. The interesting question now is whether she will be able, in the trans-Pacific phrase, to "hold down her own job."

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The Audacious Cook.

We are not applying the heading on this paragraph to the common or house cook, though the term audacious might often be fitly applied to specimens of that species whose bump of acquisitiveness is better developed than that of honesty. The Cook we have in mind is Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the person who claimed to have discovered the Pole, but who was later shown to be an impostor of the worst type. After his exposure Cook, who in the meantime had gathered together much wealth by lecturing, disappeared from view, and the quest for Cook seemed likely to prove as long and arduous a business as the search for the Pole. When he was unearthed he explained his lapse from the paths of rectitude by saying that the hardships he had undergone in the frozen regions had affected his brain and that he had been labouring under the delusion that he had really reached the North Pole. Evidently he has reconsidered the situation and in his instance second thoughts do not seem to be the better. At all events on Oct. 24 last he made a theatrical attempt at Copenhagen to "vindicate his reputation" by a lecture in the very hall where, two years before, he had amid wild enthusiasm and in the presence of members of the Royal Family and distinguished scientists, put forward his claim to be the discoverer of the North Pole. The attempt at vindication was not a success. Dr. Nansen, who was present at the lecture, started trouble by denouncing Cook as a swindler, and the climax was reached when an alleged picture of the North Pole was thrown on the screen. The audience became so hostile that Cook was compelled to retire ingloriously by the back door, and although he was escorted to his hotel by the police he was bombarded all the way by eggs and apples. It would be unwise, however, to assume that the last has been heard of Cook.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon, when there were present:—

H.E. the Governor Sir Frederick John Dealtry Lugard K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

H. E. Major General Anderson.

Hon. Mr. C. Clementi (acting Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (Attorney-General).

Hon. Mr. W. Thompson (Colonial Treasurer.)

Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G, (Director of Public Works).

Hon Mr. E. A. Hewett.

Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (acting Registrar General).

Hon. Capt. F. W. Lyons (Capt. Supt. of Police).

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross.

Mr. C. H. Crofton (Clerk of Councils).

Finance.

The following recommendations were referred to the Finance Committe:—

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of seven hundred and sixty-two dollars ($762) in aid of vote miscellaneous services, illumination of public buildings in connection with the Coronation Celebrations.

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of fifty-one thousand six hundred and eighty dollars ($51,680) in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, working expenses of open line.

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of three hundred dollars ($300) in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, compensation for damage to shop at No. 100, Des Vœux Road Central.

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of twenty-five dollars ($25) in aid of the vote Treasury, B.—Office of Assessor of rates, other charges, incidental expenses.

Financial Minute.—No. 106.

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of six hundred and ten dollars ($610) in aid of the vote medical departments for the following items:—

A.—Staff, Other Charges, Health Officer of Port:—Coal, etc., for launch, $150; incidental expenses, $20.

B.—Hospitals and Asylums, Other Charges:—Civil Hospital:—Analytical apparatus; etc., $20.

Lunatic Asylums:—Incidental expenses, $20; provisions for patients, $100.

Victoria Hospital:—Provisions for patients, $300. Total $610.

The Governor recommends the council to vote a sum of one hundred dollars ($100) in aid of the vote Post Office, A.—Hongkong Post Office, other charges, coals, stores, etc, for steam-launch.

SPORTS.

Saturday's Fixtures.

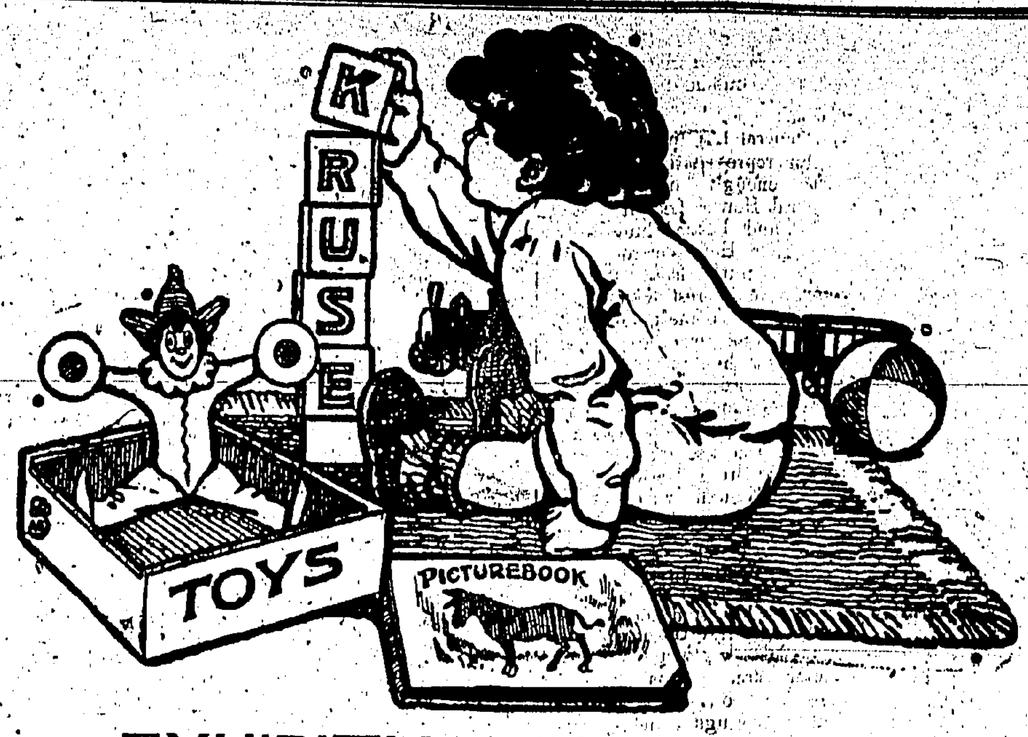
The matches in the Cricket League to be played off on Saturday, Dec. 23, are:—K.O.Y.L.I. v. R.G.A. and Naval Yard v. Kowloon.

In the Hongkong Association Football League the N.Y.F.C. meet the R.A. and the R.E. meet the H.K.F.C.

The eighth round of the second division of the League has also to be decided by Saturday. The matches fixed are:—B.O.C. v. 83 Co. R.G.A.; Hongkong Police v. L.F.C.; Corps. K.O.Y.L.I. v. 88 Co. R.G.A. and Departmental v. Submarines. The 87 Co. R.G.A. draw a bye in this round.

Saturday is also the closing day of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, when the final for the championship will be played off.

An active volcano on the island of San Salvador, about eight miles inland from the port of Acajutla, forms a natural lighthouse which is more reliable, so navigators state, than any kept by human hands. This mariner's guide is a veritable pillar of cloud by day and pillar of fire by night, the flame from its crater having gone upward every seven minutes without the variation of a second for many years.



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ATROCITIES AT CANTON.

Revolutionary Barbarism.

In the notes from our Canton correspondent published yesterday he reported that the revolutionary troops there had been guilty of mutilating the bodies of a number of men who had been executed. Writing under date Dec. 20 he records two more instances of shocking barbarism of this nature as follow:—

Yesterday afternoon a large force of the revolutionaries took 24 men to Wongfakong under a strong escort. There the men were cut to pieces and their internal organs removed. Two ladies, who happened to pass, fainted at the awful sight.

Chan Ka-sum, the captor of the assassin of the Tartar-General Fu Chi, who was arrested by the revolutionaries two days ago, was done to death yesterday. He was taken to Wongfakong, where the rebels who fell during the previous Canton outbreak are buried, and there cut to pieces. His internal organs were removed and presented as an offering to the spirits of the dead rebels. Subsequently they were fixed to bamboo poles and carried from street to street as a warning to any who might be disposed to act as Manchu spies.

REBELLION NEWS.

Financial Problems.

A private letter from Shanghai states that in a political sense the surrender of Nanking by the Imperialists has tremendously strengthened the position of the Revolutionaries, while the declaration of independence in Outer Mongolia has made the position of the Manchus more serious.

In regard to finance both sides are said to be much in need of funds and are trying to raise loans. The Manchus have been arranging to get a loan without assets, the revolutionaries are also beginning to secure several tens of millions on mining and railway enterprises. In the opinion of the writer of the letter it would be better from the lender's point of view to lend to the revolutionaries as if they fail the Manchus would have to discharge the liability.

However, large contributions had been raised for the support of the rebels going to the North and to Hupeh. During the last three weeks something like $4,000,000 had been contributed by sympathisers alone and regular contributions of from 5 per cent. to 20 per cent. of salaries had been promised. The landlords had also agreed to give several months' rent, and telegrams from abroad promised further help. It was expected that with the establishment of the provisional government at Nanking the revolutionaries would be put in a more solid financial position.

The money market among the commercial classes in Shanghai had improved. Although no large transactions were recorded there seemed to be a movement in business and a slight revival would occur before long.

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Goods not cleared by the 22nd December, will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, 20th Dec., 1911. [5

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VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, & YOKOHAMA	§ TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Noda,	T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
	§ AWA MARU, Capt. T. Irizawa,	T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE ...	§ KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. B. Kon.	T. 7,000	SATURDAY, 30th Dec., from KOBE
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.....	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi,	T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler,	T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon.
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AKI MARU	7,000	K. Homma	Mar. 13th.
MISHIMA MARU	9,000	A. O. Moses	Mar. 27th.
KAGA MARU	7,000	M. Hagino	April 10th.
ATSUTA MARU	9,000	Wm. Thompson	April 24th.
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Murai	May 22nd.

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INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tominaga	Feb. 27th.
TAMBA MARU	7,000	K. Noda	Mar. 26th.
SANUKI MARU	7,000	———	April 9th.
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MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"TAMING"	26th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	29th " 4 P.M.
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" Suevia.....8th Feb.
" F. Buelow.....20th Feb.
" Belgravia .....1st Mar.
" Sachsen .....18th Mar.
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S.S. "Segovia".....23rd Jan.
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S.S. "Silos" .....31st Jan.
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" S.S. "Sambia".....1st Feb.
For New York:
S.S. "Aragonia" .....6th Feb.

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Tjitaroem	JAPAN	1st half Jan.	JAVA	1st half Jan.
Tjipanas	JAVA	1st half Jan.	JAVA	1st half Jan.
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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration).

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Dec. 22nd, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	Dec. 29th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	Jan. 19th, Noon.
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	21,000	W. W. Green	Feb. 16th, Noon.

‡ These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws.

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The triple screw steamer TENYO MARU will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 29th December, at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing.
Kiyo Maru	17,500	Tuesday, Feb. 11, Noon.
Buyo Maru	10,500	Tuesday, April 2, Noon.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon.

The Steamer "KIYO MARU" will be despatched hence for MEXICAN, PERUVIAN and CHILEAN PORTS via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, 11th Feb., at Noon.

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LOG BOOK.

Panama Canal Tolls.

President Taft has just made allusion to a question of prime importance to the shipping industry—the probability or otherwise of American ships being allowed to pass toll free through the Panama Canal. There is a section of the American public which thinks that, in view of the enormous outlay of the United States upon the construction of the canal, the American flag should get some special advantage. With true business instinct it asks why, if the United States has found the money, it should not reap the reward of its enterprise. The answer, if one is needed, is that the American Government did not undertake the construction of the Panama waterway as a business speculation and for the purpose of making profit in a foreign field. As we understand it, it shouldered this tremendous task because its dominating influence in the Western Hemisphere gave it a superior title to undertake a work which private enterprise had failed to achieve, and the execution of which was deemed very important for American interests.

How far a toll free canal would stimulate American overseas shipping it is difficult to say. Probably it would do very little in that direction. Circumstances are too much for the American flag, except in the coasting trade. But that is not altogether the point. There is still in existence a sentiment which favours fair play, and the spectacle of the United States Government levying tolls on foreign shipping, and allowing American ships to pass through free of charge, would rightly offend the susceptibilities of every other maritime nation. Nobody knows this better than President Taft, who now says that even "to favour American vessels plying between American ports on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts would be adjudged discrimination against other countries." From this it is to be inferred that the United States has not the remotest intention of trying to revive its foreign-going shipping by the aid of free passage through the canal.

So far so good. But President Taft goes on to say that there is nothing to prevent the United States from voting back to coastwise vessels the tolls which they would be required to pay. We are not so sure of it. It looks on the face of it like a back-handed sort of proceeding. It would seem better to do the thing openly and refuse to collect the tolls. There is, however, this to be said. The coasting trade of the United States is a protected area into which no foreign flag can intrude. Therefore, if the United States likes to give a subsidy to its coasting trade by returning its canal tolls, the rest of the maritime nations are not really injured. It is the American people who will pay more for an already expensive monopoly. The danger is, of course, that the owners of the few American foreign-going ships may themselves protest against discrimination. For our part we see in the speech of President Taft the acknowledgment of an important principle, a proposal of doubtful value for its technical evasion and a confession that the position of the American flag in the overseas trade of the world is hopeless. —"Shipping Gazette."

An extraordinary price was realised at London on November 9, at auction, for a copy of the first edition of Lord Bacon's 'Religious Meditations.' The price paid was £1,050, and as the book weighed only 2 oz. the cost to the purchaser was nearly £1,000 per oz.

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The general officer commanding the British expedition against the Abor savages in North-East Assam reports that contrary to his positive orders, some telegraph coolies left the Sepo camp without an escort and were attacked by Abors, one being killed and one seriously wounded by arrows.

COMMERCIAL.

Rubber Market.

Messrs. Zorn and Leigh-Hunt's mid-weekly report on the rubber share market, dated Nov. 15, is as follows:—The more cheerful feeling in the Rubber Share Market, to which we alluded in our Report of Wednesday last, has become pronounced during the week, and a considerable amount of good-class buying is now in evidence. The rise of 2d. to 3d. per lb. shown at the fortnightly auctions of Plantation Rubber which commenced yesterday has, of course, had an encouraging effect, but what has exercised a deeper and more important influence upon the share market is the announcement of large "forward" sales of rubber for the leading plantation companies. Contracts have been entered into freely for the delivery of No. 1 Rubber throughout the the year 1912, in about equal monthly quantities, at 4-6 per lb. and upwards. These contracts are not for just a few tons of rubber, but for really important amounts, and they are naturally regarded as a significant indication of the probable steadiness of the market for the commodity for the next twelve months.

While share prices are higher all down the list, there has been some little reaction from the best levels reached yesterday afternoon.

AN ISLAND IN A VOLCANO.

Mail advices from Honolulu report the most amazing phenomenon ever observed within the crater of a volcano by a white man, says the "Japan Advertiser." It was no less than a tremendous bubble of lava, instigated by gas from the very centre of the earth, which supported an island as it floated across a lake of fiery liquid. Frank A. Perrett, the scientist who observed it, estimated that it covered an area of 3,000 square feet, and he was fortunate enough to secure a few photographs, although conditions were far from favourable for taking them. The bubble was a huge sausage-shaped affair, inflated with volcanic gas and composed of lava glass, says the scientist in his report. A lava fountain, boiling continuously under the eastern end, gave the appearance of a screw propeller, and the moving contrivance seemed to be navigating the lake like a great white black steamer. There was an island of black crust, which when it began to sink evolved a great quantity of gas which blew the bubble of lava glass, and this in turn sustained the island and prevented it from sinking. It made several tours of the lake before it disappeared from sight at last. This was observed in the volcano Halemumau, and Perrett and two Japanese assistants were the only ones who saw it.

"SHEER CUSSEDNESS."

Steamer Fired at by Both Sides.

A telegram from Hankow dated Dec. 9 is as follows:—The steamer Changwo, coming down from Changsha yesterday morning, was fired upon point blank by the riflemen both at Wuchang and to Hanyang. No signal was given at indicate that the vessel was wanted to stop. It was broad daylight so that there could not have been any doubt as to her identity. She had the British ensign flying from the masthead and at the stern. One of the foreigners on board expressed the opinion that it was an exhibition of "sheer cussedness."

The firing began from Wuchang side. The boat was steaming a little nearer the Hanyang side of the river. The shots came straight at her. Then the Hanyang troops joined in the fusillade. Those on board had an anxious time, many shots piercing the cabins. Altogether hundreds of rounds must have been fired at her. All hands luckily escaped injury.

The affair was immediately reported to the British Consul-General Mr. H. Goffe.

SHARE REPORT.

S—SELLERS. SA—SALE. B—BUYERS

Stocks & Paid up Value.		Closing Q'tion.	Last Dividend and Date.
BANKS.			
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	$862½ sa. £80	Interim dividend of £2 per share at exchange 1/0½ —$22.82 for ½ year ending 30th June 1911
National Banks	£5	$10	In Liquidation
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Cantons	$50	$187½ b.	$16 for 1910
North China	£5	£145	Interim of 10/- for 1910
Unions	$100	$825	Final of $20 making $50 for 1909 and Interim of $30 for 1910
Yangtzes	£50	$210	$12 for 1909 and Int. of $8 on account of 1910
FIRE INSURANCES.			
China Fires	$20	$127½ b.	$7 & b's of $2 for 1909
Hongkong Fires	$50	$352	$27 for 1909
SHIPPING.			
China & Manilas	$25	$10 sa.	$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamships	$50	$21	5 p.c. for year end'g 30-6-11
Steamboats	$15	$27 b.	Dividend of $1½ for half year ending 30-6-11
Indo-Chinas (Preferred) (Deferred)	£5	£61 s.	8% final making 6% for 1908 6% div. for 1909 on preferred shares
"Shell" Transports	£1	£0/6 £11 b.	1/- per share Coupon No 15 2/6 per share Coupon No. 16 for 1910.
"Star Ferry"	$10	$27½ b.	Div. 7 p. c. for year end-
	$5	$17 b.	Bon. 5 p. c. ing 30.4.11
REFINERIES.			
China Sugars	$100	$100 b.	$10 for 1910
Luzon Sugars	$100	$31½ s.	$3 for 1897
MINING.			
Chinese Engineerings	£1	£14	Interim of 1/- on account for year ending 28.2.11 (Coupon No.16)
Tronohs	£1	55/- sa.	
Raubs	£1	$2.50 b.	
DOCKS, WHARVES, & G'DOWNS.			
Kowloon Wharfs	$50	$55	1s. 2d. per share on 15,000
H. K. & W'poi Docks	$50	$45 b.	$3 for year ending 31.12.10
Shanghai Docks	T. 100	T.57	$1 interim dividend for ½ year to 30th June 1911
Hongkew Wharfs	T. 100	T.90	Tls. 2½ for 1910
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.			
Anglo French Lands	T.100	T.94 b.	Final of Tls. 4 for 1910
Hongkong Hotels	$50	$119 $75	Tls. 6 29-2-10 $3 on old shares, $1.50 on new shares for half year 31-12-10
Hongkong Lands	$100	$100 b.	Interim div. of $3½ for 1911
Humphreys Estates	$10	$6½ sa.	45 cents for 1910
Kowloon Lands	$80	$40 s.	$2½ for 1910
Shanghai Lands	T. 30	T.24	5% for half year to 30-6-11.
West Points	$50	$48 b.	Interim div. of $2 for 1911
Manila M'pole Hotel	P. 0	P. 0 s.	15 per cent. for 1910
COTTON MILLS.			
Ewos	T. 50	T.90	T4 for year ended 31-10-10 T7 for year ended 20-12-10
Hongkong Cottons	$10	$8.75	50 cents 31.7.08
MISCELLANEOUS.			
China-Borneo	$12	$10	$1 for 1910
Light and Powers	$10	$1.10	
Do. (Spec. shares)	$1		
China Providents	$10	$-¼	80 cents for 1910
Dairy Farms	$6	$20¾ s.	$1.25 for year end'g 31-7-10
Green Islands	$10	$3.50 b.	Interim of 15 cents per share for 1910
Hongkong Electrics	$10	$21½ b.	$1.20 per share and b's of 10 cents
Hongkong Ices	$25	$210 b.	$2 interim for half year ended 30th June 1911
Hongkong Ropes	$10	$18	$1 interim account 1911
Langkats	g. 10	T.65 b.	Special bonus T.2 15-1-11 Interim div. T.1½ 15-3-11 Interim div. T.1½ 15-6-11 Interim div. T.1½ 15-9-11
Morning Post	$25	$25	None
Peak Tramway	$10	$11.50 b.	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on $1 paid shares for year ending 30-4-11
Do. (new)	$1	$1.10	None
Philippines	$10	$5 b.	$1.50 for 1910
H. Price & Co., Ld.	$10	$12 b.	
Societe des Pulpes et Papieteries du Tonkin	Preferred $50 paid up $50	$50	First year
	Bearer	$400	
Shanghai-Sumatras	T. 20	T102	No dividend this year
Steam-Laundry	$5	$4½	50 cts. for year end'g 30 6 11
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ld.	$10	$10	15 per cent. per ordinary share for year ended 31-5-1911
United Asbestos Founders Shares	$10	$100	
Union Waterboat	$10	$7.50 b.	5 per cent. for year ending 31-12-1910
Weilsmann, Ltd.	$10	$15 b.	10 per cent. for year ending 31-7-10
Watson	$10	$4½ sa. & b.	30 cents for 1910
William Powell		$4½ b.	

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Selling.	
T./T.	1/10 3/16
Demand	1/10¼
30 d/s	1/10 5/16
60 d/s	1/10⅜
4 m/s.	1/10 7/16
T/T. Shanghai	74⅞
T/T. Singapore	70
T/T. Japan	100½
T/T. India	1 8¼
Demand India	1 8½
T/T. San Francisco and New York	44⅜
T.T. Java	111
T/T Marks	180
T/T. France	2-33½
Buying.	
4 m/s. L/C	1/10 11/16
4 m/s. D/P.	1/10 13/16
6 m/s. L/C	1/10 13/16
30 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne	1/0 15/16
30 d/s. San F'co & New York	54½
4 m/s. Marks	194
4 m/s. Francs	2.33½
6 m/s. do.	2 40½
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forward	25 3/16
Bank of England rate	4 %
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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.	Every	15 min.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	"	10 min.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	"	15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	"	15 min.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	"	10 min.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.	"	15 m'n.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	"	10 min.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	"	15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m.	"	10 min.

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10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	"	10 min.
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon	"	15 min.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m.	"	10 min.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	"	15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	"	15 min.
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at the rate of 1 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balances.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2¼ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ Per Cent. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.
PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND £1,625,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 6 months, 3½ per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 3 months, 2½ per cent.

WM. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1911. [28

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL Yen 48,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 30,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... " 17,150,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA

Branches and Agencies at	
Antung-Hsien	Newchwang
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Hankow	San Francisco
Honolulu	Shanghai
Lyons	Tientsin
London	Tokyo
Nagasaki	

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 25th Sept., 1911. [18

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP...Gold $3,250,000
RESERVE FUND.....Gold $3,250,000
Gold $6,500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—
60 Wall Street, New York.
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LONDON BANKERS:
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THE CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives money on Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.
For 6 " 3½ " "
For 3 " 2 " "

GEO. HOGG, Manager.

No. 9, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 21st, Feb., 1911. [15

Banks

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CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin	Calcutta	Canton
Hamburg	Hankow	Kobe
Peking	Singapore	Tientsin
Tsinanfu	Tsingtau	Yokohama

LONDON BANKERS:
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THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN). LONDON AGENCY.

DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHEIDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital		£1,500,000
Subscribed	"	1,125,000
Paid Up	"	562,000
Reserve Fund		325,000

HEAD OFFICE:
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Rangoon.	Hongkong.
Colombo.	Shanghai.
Kandy.	

AGENTS IN JAPAN:
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BANKERS:
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London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on Daily Balances and on Fixed Deposits as under:—

For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

F. C. MACDONALD, Acting Manager.

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CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

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S. B. Neill, Esq., F.I.A., Actuary.

A strong British Corporation Registered under Hongkong Ordinances and under Life Assurance Companies' Acts, England.

Insurance in Force $30,572,463.00
Assets to end 9,872,930.00
Income for Year 3,868,071.00
Insurance Fund 9,320,050.00

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B. W. TAPE, Esq.—District Secretary.
Hongkong, Canton, Macao and the Philippines

Alexandra Building.

C. LAWDER, Esq., Inspector, Hongkong.
Advisory Board, Hongkong: Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., T. F. Hough, Esq., C. J. Lafrentz, Esq.
Hongkong, 7th Nov., 1911. (110

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DEVELOPING, PRINTING AND ENLARGING.

9, Queen's Road. [86

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "LIGHTNING," having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 p.m. of the 22nd instant, will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th Dec., 1911. [1550

To Sail

The Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICA PORTS.

THE Steamship "HIMALAYA," Captain D. C. Gregor, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 23rd December, 1911, at Noon, taking passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Mongolia," 9,530 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, Tea and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the s.s. "Persia," due in London on the 3rd February, 1912.

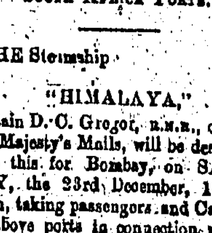
Parcels will be received at the Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th Dec., 1911. [14

Hongkong—Boston & New York.



AMERICAN-ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast).

S.S. "INDRAVELLI" on or about 26th December, 1911.

For Freight and further information app'y to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 28th Nov., 1911. [1475

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, via COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "PEMBROKESHIRE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst., at 9 a.m., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 23rd inst., at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th Dec., 1911. [1548

POST OFFICE.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be open on Christmas-day, on Tuesday, the 26th instant and on Monday, the 1st January from 8 to 9 a.m. only.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on the 1st January the Post Office will be open one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery and one collection of letters each day as on Sundays.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

The public are informed that owing to the large number of parcels, due by the incoming English Mail s.s. Devanha, they will not be ready for delivery to the addressees until 10 a.m. on Friday morning, the 22nd instant.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are trans-missible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

The s.s. Himalaya, with the Siberian Mail is due to arrive here to-morrow.

A Mail will close for :—

Siberian Mail.

Saigon—Per Lyeemoon, 22nd Dec., 9 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco (Siberian Mail to Europe)—Per Nippon-maru, 22nd Dec., 1 P.M.

Bangkok—Per Drufar, 22nd Dec., NOON.

Moji, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Fukui Maru, 22nd Dec., 1 P.M.

Australian Mail.

Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Nikko Maru, 22nd Dec., 1 P.M.

Macao—Per Sui An, 22nd Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Empire, 22nd Dec., 2 P.M.

Australian Mail.

Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Taiyuan, 22nd Dec., 3 P.M.

English Mail.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN—(Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)—(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first Clearance will be included in this contract mail)—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, 22nd inst., at 5 P.M. Per Himalaya, 23rd Dec., 11 A.M.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Yunnsang, 23rd Dec., 1 P.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 23rd Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Amoy—Per Luchow, 23rd Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Koonshing, 23rd Dec., 5 P.M.

Siberian Mail.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe—Per Huichow, 23rd Dec., 6 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan, 24th Dec., 9 A.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 24th Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Taming, 26th Dec., 9 A.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiching, 26th Dec., 9 A.M.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Kaifong, 26th Dec., 3 P.M.

Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma—Per Chicago Maru, 27th Dec., 10 A.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 27th Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Kutsang, 27th Dec., 2 P.M.

German Mail.

EUROPE &c., VIA TUTICORIN—(Late letters 11.00 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letter posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Kleist, 27th Dec., 11 A.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 28th Dec., 10 A.M.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 28th Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Chinan, 28th Dec., 3 P.M.

Shanghai, Kobe and Moji—Per Fooksang, 29th Dec., 11 A.M.

Sandakan—Per Maisang, 29th Dec., 11 A.M.

American Mail.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per Tenyomaru, 29th Dec., 11 A.M.

ARRIVALS.

Anhui, Br. s.s., 1,850, J. B. Harris, 20th Dec.—Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Fukui Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,087, H. Tominaka, 20th Dec.—Moji 14th Dec., Coal.—M. B. K.

Andalusia, Ger s.s., 3,621, Malchow, 20th Dec.—Shanghai 18th Dec., Gen.—H. A. K.

Empire, Br. s.s., 2,845, St. John George, 20th Dec.—Sydney via Ports 25th Nov., Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Devanha, Br. s.s., 4,785, W. R. F. Hickey, 21st Dec.—Bombay 6th Dec., Mail and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Taishun, Chi. s.s., 1,261, R. G. Parmore, 21st Dec.—Canton 20th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Chinhua, Br. s.s., 1,350, Benson, 21st Dec.—Canton 20th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Huichow, Br. s.s., 1,217, G. Hooker, 21st Dec.—Canton 20th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Koon Shing, Br. s.s., 1,359, Wright, 21st Dec.—Shanghai and Swatow 17th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Saharas, Br. s.s., 3,318, N. MacDonald, 21st Dec.—Yokohama 14th Dec., Kero ine oil.—S. O. Co.

Shuntein, Br. s.s., 1,081, Hoppeld, 21st Dec.—Chefoo 14th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Wing Sang, Br. s.s., 1,275, T. H. Lishman, 21st Dec.—Wakamatsu 15th Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Jaguar, Ger. gunboat, 9,507, K. Vansclow, 20th Dec.—from Pakhoi.

Merlin, Br. sloop, 1,017, B. O. M. Davie, 21st Dec.—Labuan 14th Dec.

Yodo, 1,303, Y. Yamaguchi, 21st Dec.—from Bangkok.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Segovia, for Shanghai.
G. Apear, for Singapore.
Wuhu, for Weihaiwei.
Lyeemoon, for Saigon.
Suvanic, for Manila.
Koonshing, for Canton.
Tjimahi, for Miike.
Nikko-maru, for Manila.
Devanha, for Shanghai.
Empire, for Singapore.
Haiman, for Swatow.

DEPARTED.

Dec. 21.

Himno-maru, for Yokohama.
Kiuin-maru, for Shanghai.
Kwangtah, for Canton.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Wakasa-maru, for Shanghai.
Wuhu, for Chefoo.
G. Apear, for Calcutta.
Segovia, for Yokohama.
Haiman, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Nikko Maru, arrived 20th Dec., from Yokohama :—

Harker, Mr. & Mrs. A. N.
Lee Chok-ya
Nakajima, Mrs. Y.
Nonaka, Mrs. F.
Skattsbol, A.
Wilson, C. A.
Yoshikawa, Mrs. K.
Yoshikawa, Mr. & Mrs. S.
Yoshida, Mrs. T.

Per s.s. Empire, arrived 20th Dec. from Sydney :—

Bell, H. P.
Brewster, H.
Collard, Mrs.
Hemming, Mrs.
Keech, George
Kearns, F. C.
Jue Sang.
Kong Sing, Mrs.
Kong Sing, Miss
Lee Chen-po.
McAlister
Madhurst, G. H.
Omelsead,
Wood, L. M.

Per s.s. Devanha, arrived 21st Dec. from Bombay, &c. :—

Buce, Mr. & Mrs.
Billomoria
Bato
Branco, de
Barlow, A. H.
Cheah Pat-hein
Chee Sin-ngoh
Carvalho, de
Coleman, W.
Chunha, de
Dunsman, C. C.
Dinsmore, W.
Findlay
Forbes.
Fremans, L. S.
Hamil on
Kesser
Kwaw Sn nting
Monyei
Moossallboy
Moore, Mr. and Mrs.
Meines, Mr. and Mrs.
Nalja
Neale, L. C.
Ngaw Foo-song
Ngaw Soo-yen
Pearron, Mr. and Mrs.
Phillip, K.
Schofield
Saw Juk-wan
Stanley, W. H.
Tang Sia
Whiteside

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

12th Dec.—Carmarthenshire, Joserio, Malta, Tango Maru, Nelcus. 19th Dec.—Ambria, Bendoran, Himalaya, Canfa, Socotra.

Arrival at Home—12th Dec., Bremar. 19th Dec. Dumbea, Senegambia.

	December 20th at 10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Barometer	30.20	30.16
Temperature	66	65
Humidity	83	78
Rain	—	—

HALDANE ON INVASION.

400,000 to Meet Probable Force of 70,000.

If Lord Haldane, Secretary for War, is not unduly optimistic Britain need not greatly fear invasion.

Replying, in the House of Lords, to Lord Portsmouth, he admitted that the Territorials were from 40,000 to 50,000 below their strength. He was advised by the General Staff that from their point of view the important thing in the organisation was suitable units sufficient to provide three things: (1) Coast defence; (2) defence against raids on a comparatively small scale; and (3) the formation of a central force capable of reinforcing the local forces against these raids and also capable of dealing with attacks on a larger scale.

The maximum strength of an attacking force was for the purpose of calculation and comparison assumed to be 70,000, but, according to the considered views of the Admiralty, no force of anything approaching that strength could possibly land on those shores. It was considered that the force which would be available for home defence in the absence of the expeditionary force was sufficient for the duties they would be called upon to perform. If all the six divisions of the expeditionary army were away there would be left 100,000 Special Reserves, over 260,000 Territorials, probably 15,000 to 20,000 National Reservists ready and willing to take their part, and a considerable number of Regulars, including garrison artillery, engineers, and fighting units, which were left over after the requirements of the expeditionary force has been satisfied. Altogether there would be upwards of 400,000 troops at home. The last thing likely was that anybody would risk the certain destruction of his army of 70,000, assuming he could get it here.

Compulsory service was spoken of as a remedy, but he did not think any large body of people could be found in favour of this principle. He was sorry to say that many people went about the country advising young men not to enlist in the force. The misplaced energies of those who supported compulsory service had cost the Territorial Force between twenty and thirty thousand men.

The Territorial Force was up to five-sixths of its establishment. He wished it were fuller; it ought to be fuller, and could be fuller. It could be kept up only by patriotism and the energy which patriotism inspired. The force was sufficient to provide the organisation which the General Staff desired. He would be thankful to get a full strength, but there was no reason to sit down and despair at this moment about the Territorial Force.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Kumano Maru, sailed on 20th Dec., for Japan :—

Babbett, W. H.
Cromwell, G. B.
Gray, Rev. W. T.
Ishikawa, G.
Morita, K.
Powers, Mr. and Mrs. C. A.
Tood, C. A.
Tano

Per s.s. Zafiro, sailed on 20th Dec., for Manila, &c :—

Acebedo, M.
Acantara, Mrs.
Ang Kai
Achi, C.
Ah Leong
Buncamino, V.
Baker, Dr. & Mrs. G. S.
Butler, B. G.
Bayot, Mr. & Mrs.
Cass, Mr. & Mrs.
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Chan Sam
Ding Bow
Eh Jo-did
Go Mi-kim
Go Kak-ki
Gayot, Ch.
Gachuico, F. G.
Garcia, P.
Helmes, Miss C.
Harrison, Mrs. R. J.
Hargis, Miss
Hays, J. W.
Hurd, Mrs. E. M.
Joygco, Go
Jolly, W.
Jaeggi, Paul
Juan Font
Kwok Sau
Kang Huan
Linnell, H. P.
Lamb, C. F.
Lin Can
Lui Sze
Mason, Mr. and Miss
Nelson, R. R.
Nieuergelt, E.
Peters, A. F.
Parisad, Miss Eva
Robredo, V. L.
Renz, G.
Reyes, Miss R.
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Steves, M. C.
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Serrara, Jose
Taylor, Col. W. C.
Trace, Mrs. & Miss
Tui Lion
Tatara, Y.
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2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Admission 25 cents.
5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
9 P.M. to 11 P.M.
Admission 50 cents.

String Band will play at the above Hotel every Sunday commencing from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

W. GALLAGHER, Manager.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1911. [26

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PLUNKET'S CAP.

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Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. A. M.
Bailey, Miss D.
Bailey, Miss F.
Bailey, Miss P. A.
Bailey, Master H. W., Jr.
Banfield, Miss
Banfield, Master
Banfield, Mrs. J. J.
Barlow, H. P.
Bates, C. R.
Baker, Dr. & Mrs. G. S.
Becker, G.
Bernis, J.
Blackwood, Surg. & Mrs. H. G.
Bo to ley, A. W. P.
Brice Mr. and Mrs. J. N. & nyah
Bruce, Mrs. G. C.
Brown, S. M.
Bruce, Miss J.
Bumann, F.
Butler, B. G.
Case, Mr. & Mrs. F. F. & daughter
Chilvers, P. T.
Clear, Mr. & Mrs. C. A.
Coleman, W. B.
Condon, H. L.
Corah, J. H.
Cowan, G. W.
Cross, Dr. & Mrs.
Day, Mrs. L. D
Dickenson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H.
Dinsmore, W. H.
D'Oettingen, V.
Dorland, Mrs. L. L.
Dunman, C.
Eames, E. J. W.
Ehrman, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Elam, E. M.
Estill, Mrs. W.
Fisher, H. G.
Everett, Lt. Col. W. F.
Feron, A. F.
Findlay, R. S.
Forrester, J.
Forthmann, Mrs. J. H., Jr. & child
Frecker, Miss E. M.
Fuller, Denman
Foulk, Dr. I. P. de
Fyfe, A. A.
Garibaldi, M.
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Givens, C. S.
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Godefroy, Mr. and Mrs. L.
Goulbourn, V.
Gould, Mr. & Mrs.
Green, Mrs. M. J.
Grey, Capt. & Mrs.
Hale, Mr. & Mrs. B. A.
Hall, Capt. T. P.
Hamilton, Mrs. E.
Hannibal, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
Hardtner, E. J.
Hargil, Miss T.
Harrison, A.
Harrison, Mrs. R. J.
Hewett, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. A.
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Holgate, H.
Holmes, Miss G.
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Horton, Miss
Hooga, Dr. S.
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